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Sir:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. 1.56, Applicants are enclosing an Information Disclosure Citation Form (PTO-1449) which lists the references cited in the International Search Report issued for European Appln. No. EP 03 02 7730 dated July 25, 2005. A copy of the Search Report is attached. According to the Search Report, U.S. Patent No. 6,547,541 and U.S. Patent Publication No. 2003/053921 are family members of EP 1156216.

It is respectfully requested that the cited documents be considered by the Examiner in the above-identified patent application and that the cited documents be made officially of record therein. It is further requested that a listing of the same appear on the face of any patent which may issue from this application.

An Official Action on the merits has issued for this application. In accordance with the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.97(d), Applicants include a check for \$180 in payment of the requisite fee (37 C.F.R §1.17(p)).

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